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DR. TALMAGE SPEAKS OF THE USES OF ADVERSITY.

A Consoling Interpretation of the Psalm ist's Words, "Put Thou My Tears Into Thy Bottle"-God's Acquaintance With Our Griefs-Comfort For the Afflicted.

BROOKLYN, Aug. 27.-Rev. T. De Witt Talmage chose a unique theme as his sub-ject for today—viz, "A Bottle of Tears," the text selected being Psalms Ivi, 8, "Put

thou my tears into thy bottle."

Hardly a mail has come to me for 20 years that has not contained letters saying that my sermons have comforted the writers of those letters. I have not this summer nor for 20 years spoken on the platform of any outdoor meeting, but coming down I have been told by hundreds of people the same thing. So I think I will keep on trying to be a "son of consolation."

The prayer of my text was pressed out of David's soul by innumerable calamities, but it is just as appropriate for the distressed of all ages. Within the past century travelers and antiquarians have expland the wife. plored the ruins of many of the ancient cities, and from the very heart of those buried splendors of other days have been brought up evidences of customs that long ago vanished from the world. From among tombs of those ages have been brought up lachrymatories, or lachrymals, which are vials made of earthenware. It was the custom for the ancients to catch the tears that they wept over their dead in a bottle, and to place that bottle in the graves of the departed, and we have many specimens of the ancient lachrymatories, or tear bottle, in

When on the way from the Holy Land our ship touched at Cyprus, we went back into the hills of that island and bought tear bottles which the natives had dug out of the ruins of the old city. There is nothing more suggestive to me than the tear bottles which I brought home and put among my curiosities. That was the kind of bottle that my text alludes to when David cries, "Put thou my tears into thy bot-

GOD KNOWS OUR GRIEFS.

The text intimates that God has an inti-The text intimates that God has an inti-mate acquaintance and perpetual remem-brance of all our griefs, and a vial, or lach-rymatory, or bottle, in which he catches and saves our tears, and I bring to you the condolence of this Christian sentiment. Why talk about grief? Alas, the world has its pangs, and now, while I speak, there are thick darknesses of soul that need to be lifted. There are many who are about to break under the assault of temptation, and perchance, if no words appropriate to their perchance, if no words appropriate to their case be uttered, their perish. I come on no fool's errand. Put upon your wounds no salve compounded by human quackery; but, pressing straight to the mark, I hail you as a vessel midsea cries to a passing craft, "Ship ahoy!" and invite you on board a vessel which has faith for a rudder, and prayer for sails, and Christ for captain, and heaven for an eternal harbor.

Catherine Rheinfeldt, a Prussian, keeps a boat with which she rescues the drowning. When a storm comes on the coast, and other people go to their beds to rest. she puts out in her boat for the relief of the distressed, and hundreds of the drowning has she brought safely to the beach. In this lifeboat of the gospel I put out today, hoping, by God's help, to bring ashore at least one soul that may now be sinking in the billows of temptation and trouble. The tears that were once caught in the lachry-matories brought up from Herculaneum

matories brought up from Herculaneum and Pompeli are all gone, and the bottle is as dry as the scoria of the volcano that submerged them, but not so with the bottle in which God gathers all our tears.

First, I remark that God keeps perpetually the tears of repentence. Many a man has awakened in the morning so wretched from the night's debauch that he has sobbed and wept. Pains in the head, aching in the eyes, sick at heart and unfit to step into the light. He grieves, not about his misdoing, but only about its consequences. God makes no record of such weeping. Of all the million tears that have gushed as the result of such misdemeanor, gushed as the result of such misdemeanor, not one ever got into God's bottle. They dried on the fevered cheek, or were dashed down by the bloated hand, or fell into the red wine cup as it came again to the lips

foaming with still worse intoxication.

But when a man is sorry for his past and to do better-when he mourns his wasted advantages and bemoans his reection of God's mercy and cries amid the accrations of an aroused conscience for help out of his terrible predicament-then God listens; then beaven bows down; then scep-ters of pardon are extended from the throne; then his crying rends the heart of heavenly compassion, then his tears are caught in God's bottle.

You know the story of paradise and the peri. I think it might be put to higher adaptation. An angel starts from the throne of God to find what thing it can on the earth worthy of being carried back to heaven. It goes down through the gold and silver mines of earth, but finds nothing worthy of transportation to the celes-tial city. It goes down through the depths of the sea, where the pearls lie, and finds nothing worthy of taking back to heaven. But coming to the foot of a mountain it sees a wanderer weeping over his evil ways. The tears of the prodigal start, but do not fall to the ground, for the angel's wing catches them, and with that treasure speeds back to heaven. God sees the angel coming and says, "Behold the brightest gem of earth and the brightest jewel of heaven—the tear of a sinner's re

Oh! when I see the heavenly Shepherd bringing a lamb from the wilderness; when I hear the quick tread of the prodigal hast-ening home to find his father; when I see a saller boy coming on the wharf and hurry-ing away to beg his mother's pardon for long neglect and unkindness; when I see the houseless coming to God for shelter, and the wretched, and the vile, and the sin burned, and the passion blasted appealing for mercy to a compassionate God, I exclaim in ecstacy and triumph, "More teams for God's bottle!"

RODILY AFFLICTIONS.

Again, God keeps a tender remembrance of all your sicknesses. How many of you are thoroughly sound in body? Not one out of ten! I do not exaggerate. The vast ma-jority of the race are constant subjects of ailments. There is some one form of disease that you are particularly subject to. You have a weak side or back, or are sub-ject to headaches or faintnesses or lungs easily distressed. It would not take a very strong blow to shiver the golden bowl of life or break the pitcher at the fountain. Many of you have kept on in life through sheer force of will. You think no one can understand your distresses. Perhaps you look strong, and it is supposed that you are a hypochondriac. They say you are nervous—as if that were nothing! God have mercy upon any man or woman that is

At times you sit alone in your room Friends do not come. You feel an indescribable loneliness in your sufferings, but God knows; God feels; God compassion ates. He counts the sleepless nights; he re gards the acuteness of the pain; he esti-mates the hardness of the breathing. While you pour out the medicine from the bottle and count the drops, God counts all your falling tears. As you look at the vials, filled with nauseous drafts, and at the

Again, God remembers all the sorrows of now set in the crowns and robes of the ranpoverty. There is much want that never somed.

almshouses never report it. It comes not to church, for it has no appropriate apparel. It makes no appeal for help, but chooses rather to suffer than expose its bitterness. Fathers who fail to gain'a livelihood, so that they and their children submit to constant privation; sewing women who can-not ply the needle quick enough to earn

them shelter and bread. But whether reported or uncomplaining, whether in seemingly comfortable parlor or in damp cellar or in hot garret, God's angels of mercy are on the watch. This moment those griefs are being collected. Down on the back streets, in all the alleys, amid shanties and log cabins, the work goes on. Tears of want—seething in summer's heat or freezing in winter's cold— they fall not unbeeded. They are jewels for heaven's casket. They are pledges of livine sympathy. They are tears for God's bottle.

PATERNAL ANXIETIES. Again, the Lord preserves the remem-brance of all paternal anxieties. You see man from the most infamous surro ings step out into the kingdom of God. He has heard no sermon. He has received no startling providential warning. What brought him to this new mind? This is the secret: God looked over the bottle in which he gathers the tears of his people, and he saw a parental tear in that bottle which has been for 40 years unanswered. He said, "Go to, now, and let me answer that tear!" and forthwith the wanderer is rought home to God.
Oh, this work of training children for

On, this work of training children for Goll! It is a tremendous work. Some people think it easy. They have never tried it. A child is placed in the arms of the young parent. It is a beautiful plaything. You look into the laughing eyes. You examine the dimples in the feet. You wonder at its exquisite organism. Beautiful plaything! But on some nightfall as you sit resking. But on some nightfall, as you sit rocking that little one, a voice seems to fall straight from the throne of God, saying: "That child is immortal! The stars shall die, but that is immortal! The stars shall die, but that is an immortal! Suns shall grow old with age and perish, but that is an immortal!"

Now, I know with many of you this is the chief anxiety. You earnestly wish your children to grow up rightly, but you find it hard work to make them do as you wish. You check their temper. You correct their way wardness. In the midnight your pillow is wet with weeping. You have wrestled with God in agony for the salvation of your children. You ask me if all that anxiety has been ineffectual. I answer, No. God understands your heart. He understands understands your heart. He understands how hard you have tried to make that daughter do right, though she is so very petulant and reckless, and what pains you have bestowed in teaching that son to walk in the path of uprightness, though he has

such strong proclivities for dissipation.

I speak a cheering word. God heard every counsel you ever offered him. God every counsel you ever offered him. God has known all the sleepless nights you have ever passed. God has seen every sinking of your distressed spirit. God remembers your prayers. He keeps eternal record of your anxieties, and in his lachrymatory, not such as stood in ancient tomb, but in ever that glove and glitters beside the one that glows and glitters beside the throne of God, he holds all those exhaust-

ng tears. The grass may be rank upon your graves and the letters upon your tombstone de-faced with the elements before the divine response will come, but he who hath deresponse will come, but he who hath de-clared, "I will be a God to thee and to thy seed after thee," will not forget, and some day in heaven while you are ranging the fields of light the gates of pearl will swing back, and garlanded with glory that long wayward one will rush into your out-stretched arms of welcome and triumph. The hills may depart, and the earth may burn, and the stars fall, and time perish. but God will break his oath and trample upon his promises—never! never!

OUR BEREAVEMENTS.

Again, God keeps a perpetual remembrance of all bereavements. These are the trials that cleave the soul and throw the red hearts of men to be crushed in the winepress. Troubles at the store you may leave at the store. Misrepresentation and abuse of the world you may leave on the street where you found them. The lawsuit that would swallow your honest accumu-lations may be left in the courtroom. But

You go to Switzerland to get clear of them; but, more sure footed than the mule that takes you up the Alps, your troubles climb to the tiptop and sit shivering on the glapiers. You may cross the seas, but they can outsail the swiftest steamer. You may take caravan and put out across the Ara-bian desert, but they follow you like a si-moom, armed with suffocation. You plunge into the Mammoth, ive, but they hang like stalactites from the roof of the great cav-ern. They stand behind with skeleton fin-

gers to push you ahead. They stand before you to throw you back. They run upon you like reckless horsemen. They charge upon you with gleaming spear. They seem to come haphazard, scattering shots from the gun of a careless sportsman. But not

so. It is good aim that sends them just right, for God is the archer.

This summer many of you will especially feel your grief as you go to places where you that you are not left alone, and that your weeping is heard in heaven.

You will wander among the hills and say "Up this hill last year our boy climbed with great glee and waved his cap from the top," or, "This is the place where our little girl put flowers in her hair and looked up in her mother's face," until every drop of blood in your heart tingled with gladness, and you thanked God with a thrill of rap-ture, and you look around as much as to say: "Who dashed out that light? Who say: "Who dashed out that light? Who filled this cup with gall? What blast froze up these fountains of the heart?" Some of you have lost your parents with-in the last twelvemonth. Their prayers for

you are ended. You take up their pic-ture and try to call back the kindness that once looked out from those old, wrinkled faces and spoke in such a tremulous voice, and you say it is a good picture. But all the while you feel that after all it does not do justice, and you would give almost any-thing—you would cross the sea, you would walk the earth over—to hear just one word

walk the earth over—to hear just one word from those lips that a few months ago used to call you by your first name, though so long you yourself have been a parent. Now, you have done your best to hide your grief. You smile when you do not feel like it. But though you may deceive the world, God knows. He looks down upon the empty cradle, upon the desolated nursery, upon the stricken home and upon the broken heart and says: "This is the way I thrash the wheat; this is the way I acour my jewels! Cast thy burden on my arm, and I will sustain you. All those

tears I have gathered into my bottle!"

But what is the use of having so many tears in God's lachrymatory? In that great casket or vase why does God preserve all your troubles? Through all the ages of eternity, what use of a great collection of tears? I do not know that they will be kept there forever. I do not know but that in some distant age of heaven an angel of God may look into the bottle and find it as empty of tears as the lachrymais of earthbottles of distasteful tonic that stand on the shelf, remember that there is a larger bottle than these, which is alled with no mixture by earthly apothecaries, but it is God's bottle, in which he hath gathered all our tears.

i waik up to examine this neavenity coro-net, gleaning brighter that the sun, and cry, "From what river depths of heaven were those gems gathered?" and a thousand voices reply, "These are transmuted tears from God's bottle." I see scepters of light stretched down from the throne of those who on earth were trod on of men, and in every scepter point, and inlaid in every ivory stair of golden throne, I behold an indescribable richness and luster, and ery, "From whence this streaming light— these flashing pearls?" and the voices of the elders before the throne, and of the martyrs under the altar, and of the hundred and forty and four thousand radiant on the glassy sea exclaim, "Transmuted tears from God's bottle."

IN EVERLASTING EVIDENCE.

Let the ages of heaven roll on—the story of earth's pomp and pride long ago ended. The kohinoor diamonds that make kings proud, the precious stones that adorned Persian tiara and flamed in the robes of Babylonian processions, forgotten; the Gol conda mines charred in the last conflagra tion; but, firm as the everlasting hills, and pure as the light that streams from the throne, and bright as the river that flows from the eternal rock, shall gleam, shall sparkle, shall flame forever these trans-

muted tears of God's bottle.

Meanwhile let the empty lachrymatory of heaven stand forever. Let no hand touch it. Let no wing strike it. Let no collision crack it. Purer than beryl or chrysoprasus Let it stand on the step of Jehovah's throne and under the arch of the unfading rain bow. Passing down the corridors of the palace, the redeemed of earth shall glance palace, the redeemed of earth shall gained at it and think of all the earthly troubles from which they were delivered and say each to each; "That is what we heard of on earth," "That is what the psalmist spoke of," "There once were put our tears," "That is God's bottle." And while standing there inspecting this richest inlaid vase of heaven, the towers of the palace dome strike up this silvery chime: "God hath wiped away all tears from all faces. Where omfort one another with these words.

Proper Breathing Movements.

I think it is evident that the proper de pment and expansion of the lungs by means of well regulated breathing must be regarded as of the greatest value in the prevention and in the treatment of the inac-tive stages of pulmonary consumption. The more simple the method the more effective and practical will be the results which flow from it. Among the many exercises which are recommended for this purpose the folare recommended for this purpose the following movements are very valuable. The arms, being used as levers, are swing backward as far as possible on a level with the shoulders during each inspiration and brought together in front on the same level during each expiration, or the hands are brought together above the head while inspiring and gradually brought down alongside the body while expiring. A deep breath must be taken with each inspiration and must be taken with each inspiration and held until the arms are gradually moved for-ward or downward, or longer in order to make both methods fully operative.

Another very serviceable chest exercise is

to take a deep inspiration, and during expiration in a loud voice count or sing as ng as possible. A male person with a sod chest capacity can count up to 69 or good chest capacity can could good lungs, 80, while in a female, even with good lungs, this power is somewhat reduced. Practice of this sort will slowly develop the lungs, and the increased ability to count longer is a measure of the improvement going or within the chest. Or, again, the taking of six or eight full and deep breaths in succession every hour during the day, either while sitting at work or while walking out in the open air, will have a very bene ficial effect.—Dr. Thomas J. Mays in Cen

Prince Rupert's Drops.

The most wondrous wonder of the glass maker's art is the result of a philosophical experiment and is known to scientists as "Prince Rupert's drop." These glass drops known by a prince's name are simply the drippings of molten glass pear or tadpole shaped, their curious properties being the result of their being suddenly glazed and the pores covered by coming in contact with water when at a white heat. One of these "drops" can be removed from the water and smartly hammered upon the larger end without causing a fracture, but if the lations may be left in the courtroom. But bereavements are home troubles, and there is no escape from them. You will see that vacant chair. Your eye will catch at the maller end has but the slightest atom clipped from its surface the whole object with explosive violence. and disappears as fine dust.

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An ingenious person has been pondering the subject of floral badges, and makes these suggestions, to which we add others of our own to carry out the idea:

For the first lord of admirality, docks; for a doctor, cyclamen and self heal; for an oculist, eyebright and iris; for a tailor, Dutchman's breeches; for a broker, stocks This summer many of you will especially feel your grief as you go to places where once you were accompanied by those who are gone now. Your troubles will follow you to the seashore and will keep up with the lightning express in which you speed away. Or tarrying at home they will sit beside you by day and whisper over your pillow night after night. I want to assure you that you are not left alone and that hem.—Exchange. hemp,-Exchange.

> Getting Used to Things Western Man (at summer resort)-That beats me. I don't see how you kin sall a boat right along on edge without upsettin

Amateur-Oh, that's easy enough after you get used to it. I can turn all the way over and come up the other side. Western Man-Maybe, maybe, though it doesn't look easy. Still I s'pose it's somethin like cyclones. They most scare the life out of ye at first, but bime by you git so you hanker for 'em. Why, only a little while ago I wanted to get to the Chi-cago fair the worst way, but hadn't a durn cent to spare. So I kept an eye on the weather, and when a cyclone came along

"Weren't you scared?"
"Scared! No. While travelin through the air I spent my time studyin the catalogue of the exposition."—New York

A Suggestion. Junior Partner—Well, I think (puff) I'll go out in the trade and see if I can get a few orders (puff, puff). Senior Partner—That's right. Don't fail

to take along some of those cigars you smoke and offer them around. Junior Partner-What for? Senior Partner-So the buyers will die before they have time to cancel the orders

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